

## Social and Personal

The New Year's german of the Richmond Assembly was held at the Masonic Temple last evening.

The german was led by Mr. John Parrish. The hall room and supper room were prettily decorated and a delightful menu was served. Chaperones present were Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Temple Burnley, Mr. and Mrs. Schuyler Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Woodward.

Those dancing were: Miss Anne Morris, Mr. Charles McVeigh; Miss Rose Morris, Mr. J. Pope Nash; Miss Elizabeth Brand, Mr. Hubbard; Miss Jessie Singeluff Hunter, Mr. John de Treuille; Miss Louise Seiden, Mr. Leslie Reed; Miss Alice Parkinson, Mr. Shuchter; Miss Louise Purcell, Mr. Byrd Charles Willis; Miss Edith Grant, Mr. Charles Burnett; Miss Gladys Frazier, Mr. William Cooke; Miss Lilian Binford, Mr. Newton Vaughan; Miss Grace Wade, of Baltimore, Mr. Lattimer Gordon; Miss Nancy Cooke, Mr. Gessner Harrison; Miss Nellie Gordon, Mr. Charles McCoy; Miss Louise Herbert, Mr. Robert Whitehurst; Miss Julia Grant, Mr. Roy Chalmers; Miss Lillie Lane, of Auburn, Ala., Mr. James Smith; Miss Crutchfield, of Charlottesville; Mr. John Parrish; Miss Elma Temple, of Petersburg; Mr. Boyd Bland, and Mr. Richard Winston.

### The Week to be Gay.

The outlook for the week is very gay, and among the names of the hostesses already mentioned are: Mesdames Blinn and Hutehins; Mesdames Sheldes, Watkins and Finner.

A number of the charming younger members of society who helped to make the holidays gay have returned to the schools where they are studying for the year. Hollins, State and Philadelphia claiming them again, to the regret of their friends here.

### Prospective Weddings.

The wedding of Miss Pauline B. Brown, the daughter of Mr. Louis Brown, of No. 516 East Marshall Street, to Mr. Eugene A. Dietrich will be celebrated at 7 o'clock this evening in St. John's German Evangelical Church, the Rev. Dr. Paul Menzel, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Kirchmann, of Williamsport, Pa., officiating.

Miss Brown is a young lady of most attractive personality and who is exceedingly popular. Mr. Dietrich is a member of the firm of Cordes, Mosby and Company, is successful in business, and is held in the highest esteem of all who know him. The wedding will be one of the most interesting of the week.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. Addison Wilkinson, No. 8 South Pine Street, at 7 o'clock this evening, their daughter, Miss Maude Wilkinson, will be married to Mr. Woodville A. Gage, a valued employee of E. W. Gages and Company, the Rev. Dr. W. J. Young, of Centenary Methodist Church, officiating.

The wedding will take place quietly and be witnessed by only a few intimate friends and immediate relatives.

### Afternoon Tea.

Tea at the Woman's Club yesterday afternoon meant brightly lighted parlors with holly and mistletoe, a crowd of elegantly gowned women in animated conversation, and the serving of light refreshments by the young ladies of the club.

Mrs. James J. Hickey presided at the coffee urn and Mrs. Warren Taylor poured tea.

The scene was a specially attractive one because of its contrast with the bleakness of things outside.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallerstein have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Beatrice Wallerstein, to Samuel Klein, of Chicago, Ill. The ceremony will be performed next Thursday evening in the parlors of the Jefferson Club by Rabbi Edward N. Calisch. A reception will follow, at which a number of guests from Philadelphia, Chicago, Baltimore and New York will be present.

**Richmond Girls Honored.**  
Richmond girls who visited other cities during the holidays were very much complimented.

Miss Nannie Waddill, the guest of Miss Mittie Dobson, of Lynchburg, Va., was an honor at a cotillion given by Miss Dobson in the Calhoun Hotel, of Lynchburg. Miss Waddill, who received with her young hostess, wore blue silk mull, trimmed with white lace. The cotillion was led by Mr. Walter Hend and Miss Waddill danced with Mr. R. J. Sneed, Jr.

Miss Nina Lattimer, who is visiting Misses Stone, of Wood Street, Norfolk, was given an informal reception last week, which was a very handsome affair. Miss Lattimer was also a member of a box party at the Norfolk Theatre to see Otello, given by Mr. W. E. Jarvis.

Miss Edith Hatcher, of Fork Union, formerly of Richmond, and very well known here, was entertained last week at an oyster roast, tendered her by Mrs. R. W. Whitehurst, of Norfolk, at which Mr. Douglas E. Linton, of this city, was present. She was also tendered a reception by Miss Jessie Whitehurst on Thursday evening last, when she and the ladies of the club welcomed their callers in parlor decorated with palms and American Beauties.

One of the pleasant social events of this week will be the "Art Students' Ball," to be given in the Art Club rooms, at the corner of Madison and Grace Streets, January 9th.

The entertainment will take the form of a bal masque, with the atmosphere of Bohemia as an appropriate setting. Decorations will be in holly, cedar and mistletoe.

The game of "Progressive Flinch" will be given Thursday evening next at the Virginia Club, the ladies interested in the success and management of the Chimborazo Hospital is exciting widespread interest and bids fair to be a great success.

The club parlors will be prettily decorated in Christmas colors. The officers of the Chimborazo Hospital Board, whose names are a synonym for success, have affairs in hand, and a charming evening is promised all "flinchers." Delightful refreshments will be served to all who pay the moderate price of twenty-five cents admission to the game.

**Personal Mention.**  
Miss Crane, of Baltimore, who is visiting Miss Emma Whitfield, at No. 204 East Grace Street, has been the recipient of many courteous and pleasant attentions.

Miss Crane and Miss Whitfield were entertained at "progressive flinch" Thursday evening last by Mrs. Grayson Fairbank, of No. 9 West Main Street. Delicious refreshments followed the game.

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## POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

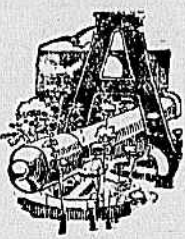
Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Elliot Norton.

No. 71.

### ABOU BEN ADHEM AND THE ANGEL.

By JAMES HENRY LEIGH HUNT.

James Henry Leigh Hunt was born in Southgate, Eng., October 19, 1784, and died at Putney, Eng., August 28, 1833. Leigh Hunt was educated at Christ Hospital, London, to which city his father fled from Philadelphia because he was a Tory. A brief space of the poet's boyhood was passed in it, where his father was confined for debt, and later he was confined himself for attacking the British government, being a Liberal in politics. Though of a very cheerful disposition he was almost always in debt and dependent upon the bounty of others. He received a pension of \$1,000 a year from the government, and upon the death of poet Shelley he received a further annuity of \$600.00 from his estate.



ABOU BEN ADHEM (may his tribe increase)  
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,  
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,  
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,  
An angel, writing in a book of gold—  
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,  
And to the presence in the room he said,  
"What writest thou?"—The vision raised his head,  
And, with a look made of all sweet accord,  
Answered, "The names of those who love the Lord."

"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so,"  
Replied the angel. About spoke more low,  
But cheerily still; and said, "I pray thee, then,  
Write me as one that loves his fellow-men."

The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night  
It came again with a great wakening light,  
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,  
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest.

*Leigh Hunt*

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## WATER IN MANCHESTER

The Reservoir Was Dry for  
Awhile Yesterday  
Morning.

### DUE TO WASTE OF FLUID

Citizens Kept Their Hydrants  
Running All Night—Funeral of Miss Fahr.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch.  
No. 1102 Hull Street.  
Manchester was practically without water for about two hours yesterday morning. This condition of things was attributable to two causes.

One, and the most serious, was that the reservoir had been almost drained of its contents by citizens leaving their hydrants running all the night before to prevent freezing. This waste of water, according to the police reports, was unprecedented and it placed the fire department at a serious disadvantage. Had a fire broken out there is no telling what might have been the result.

The other cause of the lack of water was the fact that the suction pipe, leading from the river to the pump-house was blocked with cakes of ice.

While the water was flowing from the reservoir by the hundreds of gallons all night, for a long time there was none flowing in.

As soon as the condition of affairs was discovered, Superintendent Sharp got his men and together they set about changing the state. It took about two hours to clear the pipe of the ice and to get the proper flow of water into the reservoir.

**SUBJECT TO FINE.**  
The city ordinance provides a penalty for the wanton waste of water. Any citizen who allows the city water to run unnecessarily, is subject to a report to the Mayor and a fine of \$5 for each offense. The police have been instructed to keep a sharp look-out for all violations of the ordinance.

**HAD NARROW ESCAPE.**  
While he was investigating the condition of the reservoir, Superintendent Sharp had a narrow escape from possible serious injury. He was standing on the steps leading to the tower, when he slipped, and fell some distance. He caught himself, however, and was not hurt much.

The scarcity of water was discovered about 3 o'clock yesterday morning by members of the police force, who notified the superintendent and the fire department.

The streets yesterday morning resembled frozen brooks in many places and formed good skating places for children. The weather Sunday night was looked upon as the coldest of the season.

A member of the Council said last night that at the next meeting of the Council the question of proper entrances and exits to the public halls would receive some attention. The main hall here is without fire escape and has no arranged exits.

**FUNERAL OF MISS FAHR.**  
The funeral of Miss Bernice Fahr took place from Baltimore Street Baptist Church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the burial was in Maury Cemetery. There was a large congregation of sorrowing friends.

Miss Fahr was the second daughter of Mr. A. W. Fahr. She died on Saturday night, about 9:30 o'clock, after a short illness.

**PERSONAL AND NOTES.**  
Manchester Lodge of Elks met in regular session last night. There were several initiations and a number of applications.

Indiana Tribe of Red Men met last night and held a most interesting session.

The funeral of Mr. Wm. Lowry, of Chesterfield county, will be this afternoon from the home, near Drowry's Bluff. He died Sunday night, aged eighty-three years. The interment will be in the National Cemetery.

R. N. Johnson, of Prospect, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Bradley.

Joseph E. Johnston Camp will celebrate Jackson-Lee day with a banquet.

James Berry is under arrest as a suspicious character.

The Police Commissioners will meet tonight in the office of Mayor Maurice.

The Almshouse Committee will meet at 7:30 o'clock to-night.

**STATE'S RESOURCES.**  
Report of Commissioner Koiner Soon to be Out.

Commissioner Koiner's annual report is now in press, and will be received from the binders before the end of the month. The commissioner has already received a number of requests for copies of the report, many of these applications being from those whose names are on his regular mailing list. All of those who have been receiving the publication of the Department of Agriculture, and who are not furnished with a copy of the report, as their names are still on the printed mailing list. Those who have never received any printed matter from the commissioner should write, requesting that their names be placed upon the mailing list.

The report for the year just closed will contain a vast deal of information of interest and value to the farmer.

**P. H. MAYO FACTORY TO REMAIN IN RICHMOND**

The P. H. Mayo & Bro. Branch of the American Tobacco Company will not be removed from this city to Petersburg.

"There is no truth in the report," said Mr. E. C. Mayo, managing director, to a representative of The Times-Dispatch yesterday afternoon. He, of course, did not undertake to say where the rumor had started, or who was responsible for it. Heretofore it has been the custom to remain where it is, manufacturing the same class of tobacco as at present.

The Mayo factory and its business is a landmark and an institution of Richmond.

**THE REAL TEST**  
Of Herpicide is in Giving it a Thorough Trial.

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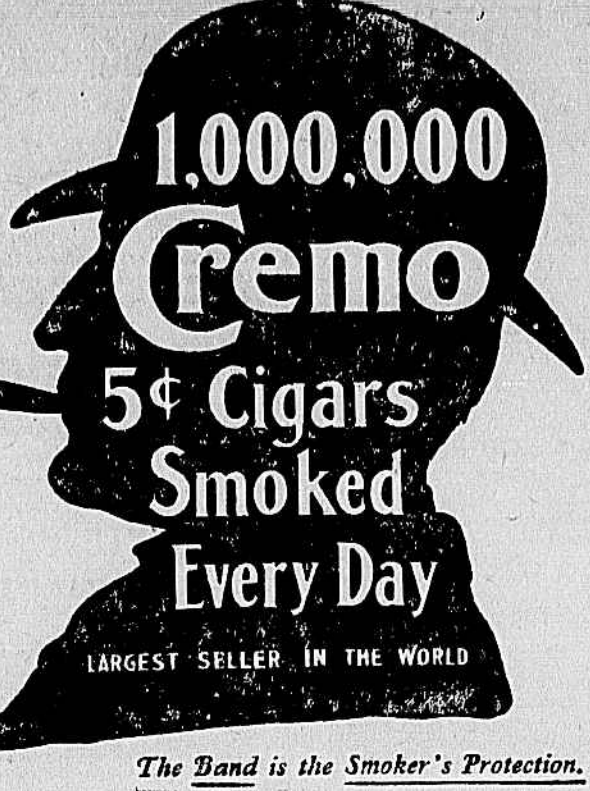
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## NEW NATIONAL BANKS ORGANIZED

Thirty-six in Virginia Since  
March, 1902, With Capital-  
ization of \$1,687,500.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—The Comptroller of the Treasurer in a bulletin issued to-day giving the number of national banks organized in the country from March 14, 1902, to December 31, 1903, gives the total number organized in Virginia in that time as thirty-six. Of this number, twenty-two were capitalized at less than \$50,000 each, and fourteen at over that amount. The total capitalization of the thirty-six was \$1,687,500.

Following are some of the figures for other Southern States:  
West Virginia, \$1,400,000.  
North Carolina, \$400,000.  
South Carolina, \$355,000.  
Georgia, \$1,400,000.  
Florida, \$85,000.  
Alabama, \$1,352,000.  
Mississippi, \$575,000.  
Louisiana, \$1,075,000.  
Texas, \$8,505,000.  
Arkansas, \$450,000.  
Kentucky, \$2,800,000.  
Tennessee, \$785,000.

Total, including Virginia, \$23,113,000.

From the foregoing, it will be seen that in the amount of capital invested in the stock of new banks, Virginia stood fourth among the States of the South, Texas standing first, Kentucky second, and West Virginia third.

The number of organizations effected during the past year was 515, with aggregate capital of \$25,757,500, and bond deposit of \$7,250,150; of which 233 associations, with capital of \$15,040,000, were banks of primary organization; 135, with capital of \$11,350,000, reorganizations of State or private banks, and 47 with capital of \$2,357,500, conversions of State banking institutions.

## HE DEFENDS HIS COURSE

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no fixed rule which can be applied to all such movements. Each case must be judged on its own merits. There have been many revolutionary movements, many movements for the dismemberment of countries which were evil, tried by any standard. But in my opinion no disinterested and fair-minded observer, acquainted with the circumstances, can fail to feel that Panama had the amplest justification for separating from Colombia under the conditions existing, and, moreover, that its action was in the highest degree beneficial to the interests of the entire civilized world by securing the immediate opportunity for the building of the interoceanic canal. It would be well for those who are pessimistic as to our action in peacefully recognizing the Republic of Panama, while we lawfully protected the transit from invasion and disturbance, to recall what has been done in Cuba, where we intervened even by force on general grounds of national interest and duty. When we interfered it was freely prophesied that we intended to keep Cuba and administer it for our own interest. The result has demonstrated in singularly conclusive fashion the falsity of these prophecies. Cuba is now an independent republic. We governed it in our own interests for a few years, till it was able to stand alone, and then started it upon its career of self-government and independence, granting it all necessary aid. We have received from Cuba a grant of two naval stations, so situated that they are no possible menace to the liberty of the island, and yet serve as important defenses for the Cuban people, as well as for our own people, against possible foreign attack.

Cuba has been immeasurably benefited by our interference in their behalf, and our own gain has been great. So will it be with Panama. The people of the isthmus, and as I firmly believe, of the entire of Central and South America, can be greatly benefited by the building of the canal and the guarantee of peace and order along its line; and hand in hand with the benefit to them will go the benefit to the whole mankind. By our prompt and decisive action, not only have our interests and those of the world at large been conserved, but we have forestalled complications which were inevitable to ourselves and in bloodshed and suffering to the people of the isthmus.

Instead of using our forces, as we were invited by Colombia to do, for the twofold purpose of defeating our own rights and interests and the interests of the civilized world, and of compelling the submission of the people of the isthmus to those whom they regarded as oppressors, we shall, as in duty bound, keep the transit open and prevent its invasion. It is that of the ratification of the treaty. For it is to be remembered that a failure to ratify the treaty will not undo what has been done, will not restore Panama to Colombia, and will not restore our obligation to keep the transit open across the isthmus, and to prevent any outside power from menacing this transit.

**Untenable Theory.**  
It seems to have been assumed in certain quarters that the proposition that the obligations of article 35 of the treaty of 1846 are to be considered as adhering to and following the sovereignty of the isthmus, so long as that sovereignty is not absorbed by the United States, rests upon some novel theory. No assumption could be further from the fact. It is a mere declaration of independence of Colombia, as an independent State under a treaty which Spain had made with the United States many years before Spanish-American independence. In that case Mr. John Quincy Adams, Secretary of State, in an instruction to Mr. Anderson, our minister to Colombia, of May 17, 1823, said:

By a treaty between the United States and Spain, concluded at the time when Colombia was a part of the Spanish empire, the principle that free ships make free goods was expressly recognized and established. It is asserted that, by her declaration of independence Colombia has been entirely released from all the obligations by which, as a part of the Spanish empire, she was bound to other nations. This principle is not tenable. To all the engagements of Spain with other nations, affecting their rights and interests, Colombia, so far as she was affected by them, remains bound in honor and in justice. The stipulation now referred to is of that character by force without reason.

The principle thus asserted by Mr. Adams was afterwards sustained by an international commission in respect to the precise stipulation to which he referred; and a similar position was taken by the United States with regard to the binding obligation upon the independent States of Texas of commercial stipulations embodied in prior treaties between the United States and Mexico when Texas formed a part of the latter country. But in the present case it is unnecessary to go so far. Even if it be admitted that prior treaties of a political and commercial complexion generally do not bind a new State formed by separation, it is undeniable that stipulations having a local application to the territory embraced in the new State continue in force and are binding upon the new sovereignty. Thus it is on all hands conceded that treaties relating to boundaries and to rights of navigation and commerce are binding upon changes in government or in sovereignty. This principle obviously applies to that part of the treaty of 1846 which relates to the isthmus of Panama.

In conclusion, let me repeat that the question actually before this government is not that of the recognition of Panama as an independent republic. That is already an accomplished fact. The question, and the only question, is whether, or not we shall build an isthmian canal, or not we shall build an isthmian canal, or not we shall build an isthmian canal, or not we shall build an isthmian canal.

White House, Jan. 4, 1904.

**EMINENT DOMAIN.**  
Bill Bearing on Subject to be Reported To-day.

Immediately following the session of the Senate yesterday Chairman McMillan succeeded in getting together the Committee for Courts of Justice, and a session was held to consider the eminent domain and corporation bills and several others referred to the committee. After considerable discussion the committee decided to postpone action on the eminent domain bill until a meeting this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when a report will be formulated.

The telephone bill was informally discussed, and there was a strong sentiment in favor of the contention of Mr. Braxton that the bill requiring telephone companies to connect was unconstitutional. Finally the committee rose without having taken final action on either bill. At the meeting this afternoon a report will be formulated on at least one of the important bills before the committee.

The committee determined to report the following bills:  
House bill No. 412, to amend section 3564 of the Code.

House bill No. 413, to amend and reenact section 3573 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to kidnapping and the punishment therefor.

House bill No. 422, to amend and reenact an act of February 5, 1883, entitled an act to exempt undertakers from jury service.

House bill No. 429, to amend and reenact section 3111 of the Code.

Senate bill No. 547, to amend and reenact section 3592 of the Code in relation to chain gangs and who shall work in them.

The more important bills will be taken up and disposed of to-day as far as possible.

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